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Task Force Will Study Public Health Clinic Services for HIV/AIDS Clients In San Bernardino County

San Bernardino. A Task Force has been formed to study the HIV/AIDS clinic services provided by the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health. Meanwhile, public health clinics will continue to provide HIV/AIDS services to clients. Approximately 700 HIV/AIDS patients receive medical care at public health clinic sites in San Bernardino, Ontario and Hesperia.

"We want to assure access to care, quality of care, and leverage all available resources that will assist our clients to achieve the best possible health outcomes," said Allan Rawland, Acting Public Health Director. "The Task Force will provide an opportunity for patients to work together with staff in finding ways to enhance the HIV/AIDS clinical care we provide," he added.

The Department expects the group to review the County's historical delivery of services for HIV/AIDS patients, assess the current clinical care, and help plan for future needs. The Chairperson of the Task Force is Meaghan Ellis, Director of Nursing and Community Health Services Division Chief.

Patients are being notified about the purpose of the Task Force, and encouraged to share their opinions. Rawland is also meeting with concerned African American community members to obtain their input on HIV/AIDS service delivery.

For more information about HIV/AIDS clinic services, call the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health at 1 (800) 782-4264, or visit the website at www.sbcounty.gov/dph.

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